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SUBJ: OATUU-SUPREME COUNCIL FOR SPORTS COMMUNIQUE ON APARTHEID

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1. AMBASSADOR RECEIVED LETTER MARCH 17 FROM ACTING SECRETARY GENERAL OF ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN TRADE UNION UNITY. LETTER COVERS JOINT COMMUNIQUE ON APPARTHEID WITH SUPREME COUNCIL FOR SPORTS IN AFRICA. COMMUNIQUE, CARRIED BY GHANAIAAN TIMES MARCH 17, APPEALS TO PRESIDENT CARTER TO HAVE DAVIS CUP COMPETITION BETWEEN U.S. AND SOUTH AFRICA CANCELLED AND FOR INVESTIGATION OF THE ATTACK ON PROFESSOR LAPCHICK. THE PROFESSOR WAS REPORTEDLY INJURED AFTER HE ANNOUNCED PLANS TO PICKET THE DAVIS CUP COMPETITION.

2. THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE CALLS ON ALL GOVERNMENTS TO SEVER DIPLOMATIC, TRADE, AND SPORTS LINKS WITH SOUTH AFRICA. COMMUNIQUE CALLS ON AFRICAN SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS TO SUPPORT WEEK OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE UNION ACTION AGAINST APARTHEID. THIS ACTION, DECIDED BY OATUU GENERAL COUNCIL DURING RECENT MEETING IN ACCRA,(REFTEL) ASKS WORKERS TO REFUSE TO LOAD AND UNLOAD SHIPS AND AIRCRAFT BOUND TO OR FROM SOUTH AFRICA AND FOR AFRICAN GOVERNMENTS AND OAU  
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TO ACT AGAINST TRANSNATIONAL COMPANIES SUSTAINING SOUTH AFRICA.

3. WE KNOW OF NO ACTIONS BY GHANA TUC OR INDIVIDUAL UNIONS IN SUPPORT OF INTERNATIONAL WEEK OF TRADE UNION ACTION AGAINST APARTHEID. GHANA PROHIBITS TRADE WITH SOUTH AFRICA, HOWEVER, AND WE KNOW OF NO DIRECT AIRLINE OR

SEA LINKS WITH SOUTH AFRICA. COMPLETE TEXT OF JOINT  
COMMUNIQUE BEING AIRPOUCHED. SMITH

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